

## The Ramblers - St Andrews & N.E. Fife Group



Last week we had an excellent turnout of eighteen, including two guests from the United States, for our 6.5-mile circular walk starting from St Monans Auld Kirk. We set off inland through Abercrombie and on to the remains of the old church, where we stopped for drinks before making our way through Balcaskie Estate. Our well-

prepared walk leader gave us a brief overview of the estate's history while we admired the architectural symmetry of Balcaskie House. Continuing through the estate to the doocots' gateway we joined the minor road at Grangemuir leading into Pittenweem and our lunch destination. Sitting in the



sunshine on the benches at the western end of the harbour with our picnics evoked childhood memories of summer outings to the seaside. We completed the final stretch along the coastal path at a leisurely pace, catching glimpses of dolphins out to sea but not tempted to join the handful of wild swimmers in the pools below us. Back in the car park at St Monans after an excellent walk, following some deliberation we opted to head for refreshments in a friendly café in Pittenweem before making our various ways home.



Our next walk is tomorrow (Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> May), an 8-mile circuit taking in The Binn, Burntisland with great views over the Forth, continuing to Kinghorn Loch and returning via the beach, tide permitting. All of our walks are open to guests who would like to try out The Ramblers, and full details can be found on our website [www.standrewsnefiferamblers.com](http://www.standrewsnefiferamblers.com)